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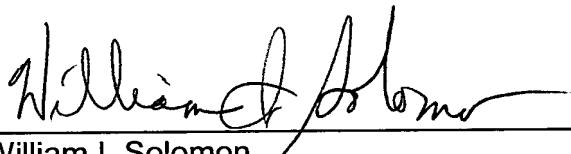
Applicants have amended the first page of the specification of the above-identified application in order to identify a prior application, No. 09/953,559, being relied upon under 35 USC 120, and to incorporate the contents of this prior application in the above-identified application by reference in their entirety. Noting that the Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.63 being submitted for the above-identified application is a copy of the Declaration filed in Application No. 09/953,559, it is respectfully submitted that the present amendments clearly do not add new matter to the application.

Entry of the present amendments, and, subsequent thereto, examination of the above-identified application in due course, are respectfully requested.

Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (500.40666CX1) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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